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Listing of Claims:

Please <u>amend</u> the claims as follows:

- 1. (Cancelled)
- 2. (Cancelled)
- 3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Cancelled)
- 6. (Cancelled)
- 7. (Cancelled)
- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Cancelled)
- 10. (Cancelled)
- 11. (Cancelled)
- 12. (Currently Amended) A method for treating virus infections with retrovirus, wherein the following drug components are administered to a human body or to the body of a lower warmblooded animal in pharmaceutically effective doses:
- a) monoclonal antibodies which are specific for CD28, and which are capable of activating T lymphocytes, of several or all sub-groups, without occupying an antigen receptor of the T lymphocytes and thus in an antigen-unspecific manner, wherein said antibody specific for CD28 directly stimulates T lymphocyte proliferation without costimulation with CD3-specific antibodies,
- b) a virus inhibitor,
- c) optionally a reverse transcriptase inhibitor different from b), when b) is a reverse

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transcriptase inhibitor,

- d) optionally a protease inhibitor,
- e) optionally a protease inhibitor different from d).
- 13. (Original) A method according to claim 12, wherein the drugs b) to e) are selected, dosed and administered according to the HAART therapy and wherein the drug component a) is administered before, together with or after the drug components b) to e).
- 14. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein the drug components b) to e) are administered continuously and the drug component a) once or several times in time intervals with breaks.
- 15. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 12, wherein the drug component b) is a pyrimidine nucleoside analogue, and/or the drug component c) is 3TC.
- (Cancelled)
- 17. (Cancelled)
- 18. (Cancelled)
- 19. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 15, wherein b) is 3' azido 3' desoxythymidine.
- 20. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 15, further comprising d) a protease inhibitor.
- 21. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 12, wherein said retrovirus is a lentivirus.

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- 22. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 12, wherein said retrovirus is HIV.
- 23. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 12, wherein said antibody which is administered consists of said antibody specific for CD28.
- 24. (Previously Presented) A method of claim 12, wherein CD28 is human.